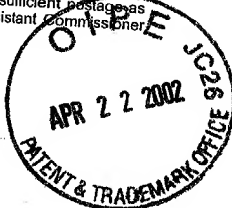


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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 6, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel claim 3 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace claims 7 and 8 with the following claims:

7. A piezoelectric type electric acoustic converter according to Claim 6, wherein the first and second side electrodes are arranged to extend onto the front and back surfaces of the resin layers.